(c) A provision of Rs. 6.04 lakhs has been made during 1994-95 (B.E.) under tribal sub-plan including coverage of tribals of East and West Godavari districts. Details of tribal sub-plan schemes proposed for A.P. and Karnataka under 1994-95 (B.E.) are given below:-

Schemes	Outlay (Rs. lakhs)
(a) Improvement of yield and quality of FCV tobacco.	1.09
(b) Improvement of curing/ storage facilities	1 95
(c) Development of Non-FCV tobacca.	3.00
	6.04

Contingency Plan to reduce Imports

805. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate a contingency plan to reduce imports;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Most of our imports are essential imports for production of goods for the domestic market and for export production. The apprehension that the liberalisation process would drastically increase imports does not appear to be jutiged considering the trends in imports.

Setback to Indian Tea Exports to UK

806. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian tea exports to United Kingdom have suffered a setback in the first three months of the current year;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) During April-June, 1994 quantum of shipment licences issued for exports to United Kingdom have been of the order of 3.28 Million Kgs. as against 2.42 Million Kgs. during the crresponding period of previous year.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

मिटको और एम.एम.टी. सी. का विलय

807. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार द्वारा मिटको का एम. एम. टी. सी. में विलय किये जाने संबंधी कोई योजना बनायी गयी है या दोनों का विलय कर दिया गया है ;

(ख) क्या इसका मिटको के कर्मचारियों पर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव पड़ा है और उनमें से कई कर्मचारियों की छंटनी कर दी गयी है ; और

(ग) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान मिटको द्वारा निर्यात किये गये अभ्रक का श्रेणीवार ब्यौरा क्या है और इससे उसे कितने लाभ, या हानियां हुई ?

वाणिज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रणब मुखर्जी) : (क) सरकार मिटको के भविष्य के बारे में, एम. एम. टी. सी. के साथ विलय सहित अनेक प्रस्तावों पर विचार कर रही है।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) एक विवरण–पत्र सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है।

विवरण

एम. एम. टी. सी. के साथ मिटको का विलय

(i) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान मिटको का श्रेणीवार निर्यात :—

(मूल्य-लाख रु० में)

	1992–93	1993–94 (अ.)
अभ्रक छीलन (सरणीकृत)	896	744
अभ्रक कागज	45	68
अन्य उत्पाद	8	4
योग	949	816

(ii) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान मिटको को हुई हानि :—

लाख रु० में

	हानि
1992–93	821
1993–94(अ.)	472

(अ) अनन्तिम

Value of exports and imports

803. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the value of exports and imports during the first quarter of 1994-95;

(b) the commodity-wise breakup of such exports and imports; and

(c) the overall increase or decrease, as the case may be of exports and imports as compared to the corresponding quarter in 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Exports and Imports during April-May 1994 the latest period for which such aggregate trade statistics are available, were valued at Rs. 11898 crores (US $ 3793 million) and Rs. 12181 crores (US $ 3883 million) respectively.

(b) Commodity-wise breakup of exports and imports is available only upto the period April 1994. This data is available in the April 1994 issue of the DGCI&S brochure 'Foreign Trade Statistics of India (Principal Commodities and Countries)' which is available in the Lok Sabha Library.

(c) Exports and Imports during April-May 1994; the latest period for which such aggregate trade statistics are available, registered increases in rupee terms of 9.8 per cent (9.7 per cent in dollar terms) and 12.2 per cent (12.1 per cent in dollar terms) respectively, over April—May, 1993.

Indo-Spanish Trade

809. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by Government to expand Indo-Spain trade;

(b) if so, the areas in which India-Spain trade is established; and

(c) the details of new areas identified for the expansion of Indo-Spanish trade?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Measures aimed at trade expan-